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Application No. 09/460,222 Applicant(s)

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Group Art Unit 2651

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Responsive to communication(s) filed on Aug 25, 2000 ☐ This action is **FINAL**. ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire \_\_\_\_three\_ month(s), or thirty days, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this communication. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. (35 U.S.C. § 133). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Disposition of Claims ☐ Claim(s) 26 and 28-34 is/are pending in the application. Of the above, claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration. Claim(s) is/are rejected. ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to. ☐ Claims \_\_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction or election requirement. **Application Papers** See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948. ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to by the Examiner. ☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ is ☐approved ☐disapproved. ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner. ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d). ☐ All ☐ Some\* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been received. received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). \*Certified copies not received: Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e). Attachment(s) ☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892 ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_ ☑ Interview Summary, PTO-413 ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948 ■ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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In response to applicant's supplemental preliminary amendment dated Aug. 25, 2000. The following action is taken:

There are five related reissue cases. The first paragraph must by amended to mention allow the related cases.

The reissue oath/declaration filed with this application is defective because it fails to identify at least one error which is relied upon to support the reissue application. See 37 CAR 1.175(a)(1) and M.E.P.. § 1414.

The reissue oath/declaration filed with this application is defective because it fails to contain a statement that all errors which are being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of filing of the oath/declaration arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant. See 37 CAR 1.175 and M.E.P.. § 1414.

The reissue oath/declaration filed with this application is defective (see 37CFR 1.175 and M.E.P.. § 1414) because of the following:

- 1. The declaration does not adequetly identify at least one error as per 37CFR 1.175 (a)(1).
- 2. The declaration does not state that all errors correction in this application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of applicant.
- 3. No Assent of Assignee to Reissue (37CFR 1.172 (a)- M.E.P.. 1410.01)
- 4. No showing under 3.73(b) that Matsushita is Assignee.

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Claims 26, and 28-34 are rejected as being based upon a defective reissue deceleration under 35 U.S.C. 251 as set forth above. See 37 CAR 1.175.

The nature of the defect(s) in the deceleration is set forth in the discussion above in this Office action.

This reissue application was filed without the required offer to surrender the original patent or, if the original is lost or inaccessible, an affidavit or declaration to that effect. The original patent, or an affidavit or declaration as to loss or inaccessibility of the original patent, must be received before this reissue application can be allowed. See 37 CAR 1.178.

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